President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR) Small Grants Program

2012 Call for Proposal

The U.S. Embassy in Nassau is pleased to announce a call for small grants proposal for the 2012 PEPFAR Small Grants Program. The U.S. Embassy invites community based organizations, non-government organizations, faith-based organizations, businesses, clubs, schools, and individuals to submit proposals for one-time grant between \$5,000 and \$10,000 for projects that promote HIV/AIDS awareness.

The main goals of these grants include: educating people, especially youth, about HIV/AIDS and thereby preventing its spread; reducing stigma for those living with the disease; and encouraging people to get tested and to seek treatment.

Proposals should target most-at-risk populations and persons engaged in high-risk behaviors, use mass media (i.e. broadcast, print, or new media) and have support from local government, community leaders, and the organization's leadership, if applicable.

<u>Project proposals are being accepted now through March 15, 2012</u>. Late submissions will not be accepted.

Rules and Specifications:

Proposals should focus on increasing community awareness of HIV/AIDS and promoting discussion and action to combat HIV/AIDS in The Bahamas. Applicants are encouraged to consider creative, original, and innovative activities including, but not limited to, promotional risk-reduction and prevention messages, voluntary counseling and testing promotion, training and education opportunities, promotional contests, etc.

Proposals **must** include the following:

- A project description no longer than two pages: Organization/company profile, a timeline indicating when the project will begin and end (not to exceed nine months from start to finish), discussion of the grantee's target audience, detailed outcomes and description of the project monitoring and evaluation method.
- A <u>detailed</u> budget with a complete breakdown of costs for all aspects of the project.

Funds **may not** be used for the following:

- The purchase of food
- Furniture or equipment purchases (i.e. computers, office equipment and supplies, recreational devices and equipment)
- Procurement of consumables for treatment or testing programs
- Procurement of antiretroviral drugs

- Large-scale programs requiring more than one-time funding
- Salaries and benefits for staff or volunteers
- Support programs, activities, or materials already funded by a third-party.

If awarded a small grant, upon completion of the project, the grantee must provide a financial report detailing all expenditures and a narrative explaining how the project goals and objectives were met. No grants will be awarded to a former grantee who has not completed their reporting requirements.

Proposals are due by March 15, 2012. Late submissions will not be accepted.

Proposals must be either e-mailed or delivered to:

E-mail: RollenewtonTI@state.gov

or

"PEPFAR Small Grants Program" Economic Office U.S. Embassy Nassau #42 Queen Street Nassau, Bahamas

Please contact Tenniel Rolle-Newton at <u>RollenewtonTI@state.gov</u> if you have questions about the proposal rules/specifications.